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BRUSSELS PLEASE PASS AF/DAS BUSHNELL FROM AMBASSADOR

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SUBJECT: PRESS COVERAGE FOR DAS BUSHNELL VISIT

1. CONFIDENTIAL - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. WE DO NOT EXPECT PRESS ON YOUR ARRIVAL, BUT THEY WILL NO DOUBT TAG ALONG TO MEET YOU AFTER YOUR MONDAY MEETINGS. GIVEN THE QUICKLY EVOLVING POLITICAL/SECURITY SITUATION, HERE IS OUR COUNSEL AT THIS MOMENT:

-- THE UNITED STATES SUPPORTS RWANDA'S COMMITMENT TO PEACE AND NATIONAL RECONCILIATION AS EMBODIED IN THE ARUSHA PEACE ACCORD.

-- WE ARE PLEASED THAT WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO JOIN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY IN SUPPORTING DEPLOYMENT OF A UNITED NATIONS PEACEKEEPING FORCE TO HELP IMPLEMENT THE PEACE ACCORD.

-- THE UNITED STATES IS GREATLY CONCERNED, HOWEVER, THAT THE LONG DELAY IN INSTALLING THE BROAD-BASED GOVERNMENT AND TRANSITION NATIONAL ASSEMBLY WILL JEOPARDIZE THE ABILITY OF THE UN FORCE TO DO THE WORK IT HAS BEEN SENT TO DO.

-- THE UNITED STATES IS ALSO DEEPLY DISTURBED BY THE ASSASSINATIONS AND VIOLENCE OF RECENT WEEKS THAT HAVE LEFT SO MANY INNOCENT CIVILIANS DEAD. WE APPEAL TO ALL PARTIES TO ABANDON VIOLENCE IN FAVOR OF DIALOGUE TO RESOLVE DIFFERENCES AND MOVE THE PEACE PROCESS FORWARD.

2. REGARDS. RAWSON

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